



Ironhorse Desert News



Base improvements come quickly



Photo by Spc. Melissa Walther

Iraqi workers mix cement for loading ramps at the new truck yard under construction at Forward Operating Base Ironhorse in Tikrit Jan. 25, 2004.

Story by Spc. Melissa Walther

FORWARD OPERATING BASE IRONHORSE, TIKRIT, Iraq – Even as the Soldiers of Task Force Ironhorse are packing up to go home in a few weeks, they are also paving the way for their replacements.

All over Forward Operating Base Ironhorse, facilities are being

built or improved in an effort to provide a better environment for the Soldiers who are stationed here.

“Half of the ideas for improvements come from my head and half from the relief in place policies,” said Sgt. Maj. Rodney Placzek, garrison sergeant major for FOB Ironhorse and a Columbus, Neb.,

resident.

“These improvements have been going on since we got here,” said 4th Infantry Division Command Sgt. Maj. Charles Fuss. “We’re trying to increase the quality of life for Soldiers.”

In the last 30 days alone, more than 15,000 cubic meters of gravel have been spread, laying the foundation for many of the future changes.

Upgrades include four new helipads, a new wash rack, more shower facilities, reinforced guard positions and a larger post exchange. In addition, a tent city, which will be capable of housing 1,500 Soldiers, is currently being planned.

The work has proved to be a boon to the local economy through

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Iraqi entrepreneurs receive grants

Story by Staff Sgt. David Bennett

TIKRIT, Iraq – Several Iraqi entrepreneurs – among them a chicken farmer, an ice cream cone maker and a hardware supplier – gathered Jan. 25, to reap the benefits of a new program that puts money in the hands of local business owners.

Preceding a meeting of local Iraqi officials at the Salah Ad Din governor’s building in Tikrit, 14 area businessmen received grants totaling \$57,000. The funds were administered by 4th Infantry Division’s 1st Brigade Combat Team.

Mizer Younis Aoud Al Goomly owns a computer education company in Al Sharquat and was one of the recipients. He said aside from some colleges in the Salah Ad Din province, there is little in the way of computer learning opportunities for local residents.

With only one personal computer in his small shop, Goomly lacked the resources to expand his service. He said the \$5,000 grant he received will make that possible.

“I want to make the office larger and add three to five computers,” Goomly said.



Photo by Staff Sgt. David Bennett

Ayman Mahmood Salih Al-Jabara, a farmer in Tikrit, signs for a grant he received Jan. 25, 2004, as part of a program initiated by 4th Infantry Division to assist small businesses in the Task Force Ironhorse area.

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Redirecting your mail before redeploying

Story by Staff Sgt. Nate Orme

CAMPARIFJAN, KUWAIT – As the first wave of units in Task Force Ironhorse prepare to redeploy, Soldiers should begin considering how to get those extra personal items home via mail.

Enter the 3rd Personnel Command, which oversees postal operations in theater. It has issued mail guidance procedures to be followed by Soldiers, mail clerks and commanders to ensure that mail is properly channeled.

“It is only common sense to notify families, friends and correspondents prior to your redeployment to cease sending mail to you,” said Lt. Col. Robert Howard, 3rd PERSCOM’s postal operations director. “The military mail system will be taxed heavily during this redeployment period. On an average, each Soldier redeploying

will be mailing out two to three personal packages home. The reduction in redirected mail will only benefit the overall military mail system.”

Howard explained that the same standards apply to deploying Soldiers entering the Operation Iraqi Freedom theater.

Redeploying Soldiers need to complete and return two change of address cards (DA Form 3955), which are supplied by unit mail clerks or at their personnel offices. One card stays with or goes to the servicing mail clerk, and one goes to the servicing Army Post Office, or APO.

Soldiers should also notify all correspondents – family, friends, financial institutions, periodical mailers etc. – to stop sending mail into theater at least 15 days – preferably 30 days – before their

projected move date when units move from base camp to their redeployment sites. Soldiers will not be able to receive mail at the sites; however, postal services will be available to send mail.

Unit commanders should inform home station mailrooms to stop forwarding mail to the theater APO for redeploying troops and instead hold mail until the Soldier arrives.

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After entering their user-name and password, soldiers are presented with different section selections.

Click on the link, “**Division Staff**” and then “**PAO**”.

From there, a heading labeled “**News-paper**” will appear. By right clicking the link and opening the link in a new window, soldiers can read the latest edition.

Steadfast and Loyal



Photo by Sgt. Troy Chatwin

After being refueled and maintained, M1A1D Abrams tanks of A Company, 1st Battalion, 66th Armor Regiment, stand ready for action at Camp Brassfield-Mora near Samarra, Iraq. The tanks were used for blocking and cordoning operations, which control the flow of traffic and people to and from the city during January’s Operation Ivy Blizzard.



Contractors know how to network

Story by Sgt. Christopher Carney

FORWARD OPERATING BASE IRONHORSE, Iraq — Working out of trailers at Forward Operating Base Ironhorse, a group of civilian contractors help keep the communications of the most technologically advanced division in the Army up and running.

The crew at General Dynamics works closely with the 4th Infantry Division's signal battalions to ensure that the unit's telecommunications system is outfitted and operational.

"We came over to support the signal units of the infantry division," said Jim Campbell, the company's site manager, who is from Killeen, Texas. "We can repair all of the mobile subscriber equipment, and the common hardware equipment."

The Needham, Mass.-based company oversees the mobile subscriber network, which is the backbone of the division's signal units. The network includes signal dishes, towers and radios. General Dynamics also is adept at trouble-shooting computer systems, routers, and a wide variety of other electronic gear that keeps the division mission-capable.

"(Our repairs) keep their downtime to a minimum and give them more time to do other missions," Campbell said.

General Dynamics regularly works with 4ID at Fort Hood, Texas. Some technicians accompanied the division to when it deployed to Iraq in April.

"We already had a relationship established with the division having worked with them in Fort Hood," Campbell said.

The contractors work hand in hand with the 124th Signal Battalion and coordinate their work with the signal technicians.

"We have two repair facilities in Iraq, one in Tikrit and one in Baghdad," Campbell said. "The whole facility in Tikrit came from Fort Hood."

"If we run low on parts we can quickly resupply from Germany. That way when the signal units bring in equipment we can turn it around as fast as possible."

Though parts are important, the contractors' knowledge has proved invaluable to battalion technicians.

"(The company) has been one of the most valuable resources we have," said Chief Warrant Officer



Photo by Sgt. Christopher Carney

Roger Boutwell, a General Dynamics contractor, handles diagnostic equipment in his work trailer at Forward Operating Base Ironhorse, Tikrit, Iraq, Jan. 30, 2004.

Walter Steadman, network technician for the 124th, which is based in Fort Hood. "There are three levels of operation on our equipment, operator level, controller level and technician level. If I can't fix it at the technician level, then it goes to them."

The contractors' usefulness isn't confined to the base in Tikrit. They routinely accompany battalion Soldiers to make telecommunication repairs in various forward operating bases comprising Task Force Ironhorse.

"We're pretty fortunate to have them," Steadman said. "When we go out on trouble calls, nine times out of ten, one of their guys goes with us."

"When we go out on the road we have a weapon, Kevlar and flak jacket," he continued. "They have Kevlar and flak jacket but they have to trust us to protect them. That takes some courage."

Nick Borman, another General Dynamics employee, said working in Tikrit has been a challenge, but a worthwhile challenge.

"We've seen things in a year that we've never before," Borman said. "Because the equipment has run continuously for a year compared with two or three weeks at a time during training. Its been rewarding plus we've gotten to live like a Soldier."

Once the 1st Infantry Division replaces 4ID soon, most of the contractors will return to Fort Hood.

However, some will stay with the replacement unit and a handful will be reassigned to Baghdad, according to Campbell.



WW II vet reaches out to Iraqi kids

Story by Spc. Bronwyn Meyer

TIKRIT, Iraq — An initiative spearheaded by a World War II veteran in Carthage, Texas has many people in East Texas and across the country reaching out to Iraqi children.

The Iraqi Student Project is the brainchild of John Howland, who is teaming with Army troops to bring needed school supplies to children in the Task Force Ironhorse area.

Howland, a pathfinder navigator in the 8th Air Force in England during the war, remembers British lads asking the U.S. troops stationed in England, “Ya got any gum, chum?”

By American troops handing out candy to the English and German children, they cemented friendships along the way, he said.

“One of the things I noted was the strong bond of friendship between the young English lads and the Americans,” said Howland. “Those youngsters are the people in charge today. The British are our staunch allies in Iraq and the leaders today are the same who, years ago, asked ‘Ya got any gum, chum?’”

Children have not changed much in 60 years, and when a U.S. convoy passes through an Iraqi neighborhood, the children dance around the Humvees chanting, “Mister, mister, give me candy.”

As of Jan. 20, Howland has shipped 332 student kits and 10 teacher kits to Iraq. His goal is to ship 1,000 student kits. The Iraqi Student Project has received donations from many other states as well. Each student kit includes

school supplies, hygiene items, and of course, candy.

Howland said he wanted to open up the lines of communication between American and Iraqi civilians, so he created the Iraqi Student Program.

“We heard reports that school supplies were terribly short in Iraq, so I decided to make this the centerpiece of a people-to-people friendship program,” said Howland.

The Texas resident contacted Capt. Anton Ciomperlik, a chaplain with the 4th Infantry Division in Tikrit, Iraq.

Ciomperlik said he ensures that the supplies are distributed to the needy schools in the Salah Ad Din province, where Tikrit is located, through assistance from area units.

One Soldier who has been instrumental in seeing that supplies are distributed is Maj. Howard Geck, a civil affairs officer for the 64th Corps Support Group and Albuquerque, N.M., native.

Because schools for girls in northern Iraq are desperate for such supplies, Geck said he focuses on these schools particularly.

“In America we have equality,” Geck said. “Here in this country they don’t. I give to boys schools



Photo by Spc. Bronwyn Meyer

Spc. Jeremy King, a chaplain’s assistant with the 107th Chaplain Detachment from Dallas, Texas talks to children outside of a school in Tikrit, Iraq. The 4th Infantry Division Soldiers were delivering school supplies to the local schools during operations Jan. 22, 2004.

as well, but the girls’ schools are worse off.”

Geck’s main focus in Tikrit is Mahad al Moahlimat – a female high school that trains teachers. It is vital that teachers support the new government, since they have a direct influence on the viewpoint of the future generation, he said.

The struggle to win the trust of the Iraqis continues. Howland is working to win the favor of the Iraqi children with the student kits.

“It is (my) fervent hope that a student who receives a kit will take it home and show it, with pride, to his or her parents,” he said.

Howland said he grieves for American servicemembers lost in Operation Iraqi Freedom, just as he grieved for the loss of his friends during World War II.

“They were too young to die, but they all died for their country and for a worthy cause,” Howland said. “They died to win the battles of war. It is our job to win the battle for peace.”



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the hiring of local contractors, Fuss said.

"We're using a lot of Iraqi businessmen to do the work," said Fuss. "Our engineers are out improving other forward operating bases, local infrastructure and building things like bridges. When we hire locals, it boosts the economy and gives them jobs. If they're working, they're not attacking us."

One of the improvements being completed by local contractors is a customs inspection point.

According to Placzek one of the most important projects is the container yard for customs inspections.

"Units will be able to get their connexes inspected here and sealed by customs before shipping them," he said. "It will make things go smoothly when units prepare to leave."

In addition to these improvements, the main gate will be fortified with a new barrier wall and four new guard towers are planned.

In order to ease congestion at

the main gate, an alternate gate for civilian vehicles is currently in the works.

"That way civilians won't be clogging the gate and convoys can get in and out easier," said Placzek.

The upgrades are scheduled to be completed before 4ID redeploy.

"The 1st Infantry Division Soldiers will enjoy a stateside-quality PX and a stateside-quality wash rack because of these improvements," said Placzek. "We're just taking care of Soldiers and trying to ease the burden."

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"This will benefit my interests."

Each brigade within Task Force Ironhorse received \$100,000, which was provided through commanders emergency relief program funding, to disburse among eligible business owners, said Maj. Steve L. Hite, the program's project officer for the area that includes the cities of Ad Dawar, Al Sharquat, Baiji and Tikrit.

Working with officials from the four brigades, various city councils screened those business owners looking to upgrade their shops or production capability, but lacking the necessary capital. The rest of 1st Brigade's \$100,000 allocation will be distributed at a later date.

Subsequent trips will be made to each business to ensure the money is being spent in the most productive manner, said Hite, who is the fire support officer for 1st Brigade.

"After the grant is approved we visit three different times to see how the project is progressing – after 30, then 60 days and after 90 days," he said.

Though the 4ID is scheduled to redeploy during the course of the program, Hite said the division's replacement will continue monitoring the program.

Hite said as in any economy, small business is a driving force. Such an infusion now should pay off in the long run.

"We're working with councils to expand free commerce," he said. "Helping businesses, whether upgrading their stores or expanding, is a way to get the economy going."

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provide the supporting theater APO with the unit's forwarding home address. If mail clerks receive mail for Soldiers already redeployed, they will then forward it to the address on the Soldier's change of address card.

Either the APO or a forward mail clerk will forward mail for 60 days. Ideally, that would be 30 days before a Soldier's redeployment date and 30 days after. After 60 days, mail is either returned to sender or disposed of in accordance with the Department of Defense Postal Manual.

If mailing items from theater before redeploying, individuals should mark parcels and letters "MPS" for free delivery of non-valuable items. Remember, there is no reimbursement for lost or damaged items marked "MPS." For items of value, insure the items or use registered mail.

Soldiers must follow restricted mail guidelines when mailing specific items. Objects such as expended/unexpended explosives, certain war souvenirs, and ammunition are forbidden. Military equipment such as rucksacks and duffel bags are also prohibited.

The maximum size and weight for mailing is 70 pounds and 138 inches combined length and girth. When mailing to an APO address, individuals shouldn't include the country name, such as Germany or Italy.

Questions on mail should be directed to your unit mail clerk, servicing APO, the 3rd PERSCOM postal operations directorate, or call DSN: 318-825-1208.



Operation Clothes for Kids reaches target

**Story by Staff
Sgt. David
Bennett**

TAJI, Iraq – As the Soldiers walked down the narrow walk, curious children peeked out of their classrooms Jan 13, eying the large cardboard boxes that they were carrying.

Released from their teachers, the grade school children jostled for position in line as shoes, winter coats, denim pants and simple dresses came spilling out of the open boxes.

Standing in the midst of the windmill of activity is Lt. Col. Steven A. Maglio, the chaplain for 4th Infantry Division (Mechanized) Artillery. He has been coordinating Operation Clothes for Kids, which is an effort to bring clothing sent from home to needy Iraqi



Photo by Staff Sgt. David Bennett

Passing a teddy bear to a school teacher in Taji, Iraq Jan. 13, 2004, Lt. Col. Steven A. Maglio, chaplain for 4th Infantry Division (Mechanized) Artillery, oversees Operation Clothes for Kids, an effort to deliver clothing to needy Iraqi children.

children.

Thus far, 181 boxes have been collected by family members back in Fort Hood, Texas, and sent to the artillery unit. Of those, 150 boxes have been distributed by various battalions operating in an area of operations known as Task Force Gunner. The plan has helped fill a social gap that charitable organizations haven't yet filled, he said.

"Schools are the primary outlet, because we can put the clothes right in the hands of the children," Maglio said.

This day the Beirut Primary School is the beneficiary.

"The children need the clothing," said Sattar Yissen Abd, the school's headmaster. "We need everything. My school is very bad."

The primary school where Abd administers is downtrodden from years of neglect under the previous regime. Cardboard has even been tacked up to fill missing windowpanes. The cramped, dark classrooms are barely large enough to contain all the young, energetic children.

Although the needed repairs to the school are still on the planning table, Operation Clothing for Kids seems to have achieved its fundamental goal in reaching the Iraqi children.

"They came out not only with a piece of clothing, but the feeling that American Soldiers really care about them," Maglio said.



Photo by Staff Sgt. David Bennett

A boy smiles at receiving a new suit, delivered Jan. 13, 2004, to his school in Taji, Iraq. Coats, pants, shirts and shoes were distributed to the local children as part of Operation Clothes for Kids.



Photo by Staff Sgt. David Bennett

A boy in Taji, Iraq, gapes in wonder as a Coalition interpreter stands in the doorway of his classroom Jan. 13, 2004, preparing to distribute coats, pants, shirts and shoes as part of Operation Clothes for Kids.



Local News

FOB Ironhorse Religious Services

Sunday:
0930 -- Protestant
1100 -- Gospel
1300 -- Catholic
1800 -- Praise and Worship
1800 -- LDS

Wednesday:
1900 -- Bible Study
1900 -- Family Home Evening
(LDS in CMOC)

Friday:
1230 -- Muslim
1900 -- Bible Study (124th
Signal Battalion
palace)

Sports Bar

Mondays: Country and Western
Tuesdays: Sports
Wednesdays: Oldies but Goodies
Thursdays: Variety Night
Fridays: R&B
Saturdays: Latin Night
Sundays: Sports

FREE hot dogs, hamburgers, chips and fries at Desert Cafe, every night, 1930-2330

*Open Sun. - Thurs.: 2000-2400
Fri. - Sat.: 2000-0100*

Reunion/Suicide Prevention Briefs

Briefs will now be held once a week, Wednesday at 1000 in the Chapel/Movie Theater at the Task Force Ironhorse Resort.

Briefs must be given before a Soldier goes on mid-tour leave.

Emergency individual briefings can be arranged through the chaplain's office.

Weather Forecast

Monday: High: F
Low: F
Mostly

Tuesday: High: F
Low: F
Mostly

Wednesday: High: F
Low: F
Mostly

Thursday: High: F
Low: F
Partly

Friday: High: F
Low: F
Mostly

Freedom Radio

American Forces Network can be heard on 93.3 FM, playing the hits of yesterday and today.

Movie Schedule

Movies at the Task Force Ironhorse Resort are shown at 1100, 1400 and 2000.

Movies listed below are for the 2000 showing only.

2 Feb.: NO MOVIE
Super Bowl replay, 1900 in theater

3 Feb.: High Crimes
4 Feb.: The Art of War
5 Feb.: Blackhawk Down
6 Feb.: Sniper 2
7 Feb.: Army of One
8 Feb.: Not Scheduled

**Sunday's movies are shown at 1400 and 2000 only.*

Aerobics Classes

Aerobics classes are offered at the Ironhorse Resort Sports Bar.

Classes take place Mon., Wed., Fri. and Sat., 0600-0730.

For more information, contact 1st Lt. Richardson at 534-9865.

Sick Call Hours

Sick call is held every Monday through Friday, 0800-1000 and Saturday, 0800-1200 at the aid station.

The aid station is closed Saturday afternoon and Sunday, except for emergencies.

Dental appointments can be made during sick call on Mondays.

For emergencies, call 534-0161.

Update DEERS info

Reservists and members of the National Guard who were deployed or extended in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, should update their information for their family members in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System.

As many as 55,000 Soldiers and more than 95,000 family members will be affected when current identification cards expire. Along with renewing ID cards, members should update DEERS information to reflect service extensions.

Families can confirm eligibility by calling 1-800-538-9552; or 1-800-334-4162 in California; or 1-800-527-5602 in Alaska and Hawaii.

Families can find card issuing facilities at the Rapids Site locator web page:

<http://www.dmdc.osd.mil/rtl>.



World News

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - The Bush administration will seek a 43 percent increase in federal funds to develop cars that run on hydrogen fuel and eventually have in place the service station infrastructure that will support the vehicles.

The money is part of President Bush's long-term initiative begun last year to reduce U.S. dependence on foreign oil by developing hydrogen-powered fuel cells to run cars, trucks, homes and businesses.

JOHANNESBURG (Reuters) - The United Nations said on Sunday rules were needed to prevent a free-for-all search for unique Antarctic organisms that can be used for pharmaceutical and commercial purposes.

Isolating and extracting the substances that allow or-

ganisms to survive in one of earth's harshest environments could lead to new cancer treatment drugs, antibiotics and industrial compounds, a U.N. report said.

BUCKEYE, Ariz. - The longest U.S. prison hostage standoff in decades ended Sunday when a corrections officer was released from the guard tower where a pair of inmates had held her for two weeks, a Corrections Department spokeswoman said.

The inmates surrendered, corrections spokeswoman Cam Hunter said. One said it was an escape attempt.

Hunter said the guard, whose name was not released, was receiving medical care. Her sisters and another guard who had been held hostage earlier were waiting for her at a Phoenix hospital.

Sports

NBA Standings

Eastern Conference

Atlantic	W-L
New Jersey	25-20
Boston	22-27
New York	22-27
Miami	21-27
Philadelphia	20-27
Washington	14-31
Orlando	13-36
Central	
Indiana	35-13
Detroit	32-16
New Orleans	26-21
Milwaukee	26-21
Toronto	21-23
Cleveland	17-29
Atlanta	15-33
Chicago	13-35

Western Conference

Midwest	W-L
Minnesota	32-13
San Antonio	31-18
Dallas	29-18
Denver	28-21
Houston	26-20
Memphis	25-21
Utah	24-23
Pacific	
Sacramento	33-12
LA Lakers	27-16
Seattle	22-23
Portland	21-24
LA Clippers	20-25
Golden State	20-25
Phoenix	17-32

NBA Scores

Sunday, Feb. 1

Cleveland 104, Washington 100
LA Lakers 84, Toronto 83

NCAA Men's hoops

AP top 25

Mon. Jan. 26

1. Duke
2. Stanford
3. St. Joseph's
4. Louisville
5. Kentucky
6. Connecticut
7. Pittsburgh
8. Cincinnati
9. Arizona
10. Gonzaga
11. Mississippi St.
12. North Carolina
13. Texas Tech
14. Georgia Tech
15. Kansas
16. Texas
17. Wisconsin
18. Oklahoma St.
19. Wake Forest
20. Syracuse
21. Purdue
22. Florida
23. Providence
24. South Carolina
25. Oklahoma

NHL Standings

Eastern Conference

Atlantic	W-L-T-OTL, Pts.
Philadelphia	26-11-11-5, 68
New Jersey	27-13-10-1, 65
NY Islanders	25-20-5-2, 57
NY Rangers	19-23-7-4, 49
Pittsburgh	11-35-5-3, 30
Northeast	
Toronto	29-13-8-3, 69
Ottawa	28-14-7-3, 66
Boston	25-14-11-4, 65
Montreal	26-20-6-2, 60
Buffalo	23-25-5-1, 52

Southeast

Tampa Bay	26-16-6-3, 61
Atlanta	21-25-6-2, 50
Florida	17-22-11-3, 48
Carolina	17-24-10-2, 46
Washington	16-30-5-2, 39

Western Conference

Central	W-L-T-OTL, Pts.
Detroit	29-15-8-2, 68
Nashville	26-18-6-2, 60
St. Louis	25-18-7-1, 58
Columbus	15-27-7-3, 40
Chicago	13-29-7-5, 38
Northwest	
Colorado	29-11-9-3, 70
Vancouver	30-14-7-2, 69
Calgary	26-19-4-3, 59
Minnesota	17-20-15-2, 51
Edmonton	20-24-8-1, 49

Pacific

San Jose	24-13-11-5, 64
Dallas	26-20-9-0, 61
Los Angeles	21-15-12-5, 59
Phoenix	18-18-13-2, 51
Anaheim	16-23-8-6, 46

NHL Scores

Sunday, Feb. 1

Boston 4, Pittsburgh 1
Montreal 6, Chicago 4
Calgary 6, Anaheim 4

Tennis-Australian Open

Men's Final

(2) Federer def. Safin
7-6, 6-4, 6-2

Women's Final

(1) Henin-Hardenne def. (2) Clijsters
6-3, 4-6, 6-3

Vinatieri does it again

(AP) What was supposed to be a colossal bore turned into one of the most exciting Super Bowls ever with a thrilling back-and-forth final quarter that Adam Vinatieri finished off with his foot.

Tom Brady set up Vinatieri's 41-yard field goal with 4 seconds left to give the New England Patriots their second NFL championship in three seasons with a 32-29 victory over the Carolina Panthers.

Not only did Vinatieri win this one Sunday night, he did the same thing two years ago by beating the St. Louis Rams on the final play of the game.

"Nobody makes all of them. But if you've got to have one kick with everything on the line, he's the one you want kicking it," New England coach Bill Belichick said. "It was an awesome kick. It was a great kick. That's the game. That's what Adam's here for."

Brady gets 2nd MVP

(AP) Tom Brady is getting quite a collection of playoff wins and Super Bowl MVP trophies.

The New England quarterback has won all six of his postseason games, including two Super Bowls in three years. He threw for 354 yards and three touchdowns Sunday night in leading the Patriots past the Carolina Panthers 32-29.

Brady also made up for a critical interception in the Carolina end zone by guiding the Patriots to a go-ahead score with 2:51 remaining.